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SUBJECT: GENERAL MELGAR'S SPEECH AT INAUGURATION OF SUGAR MILL

1. ON APRIL 22, CHIEF OF STATE MELGAR GAVE A POLICY SPEECH INAUGURATING THE CANTARRANAS SUGAR MILL. THE SPEECH WAS LOUDLY APPLAUDED. THE MAJOR POINTS COVERED IN THE SPEECH INCLUDED THE FOLLOWING: (A) A RECONFIRMATION OF THE GOH'S COMMITMENT TO THE NATIONAL DEVELOPMENT LAND AND LAND REFORM; (B) A RECOGNITION OF THE FACT THAT GOH RESOURCES TO CARRY OUT THE LAND REFORM WERE LIMITED, THUS REQUIRING A SOMEWHAT SLOWER PROCESS THAN MIGHT BE IDEAL; (C) THAT LAND REFORM MUST BE AN INTEGRAL PROCESS INCLUDING CREDITS AND TECHNICAL ASSISTANCE, NOT SIMPLY THE DISTRIBUTION OF LAND; AND (D) A REAFFIRMATION OF THE MILITARY'S COMMITMENT TO TURN OVER POWER TO AN ELECTED GOVERNMENT AT THE APPROPRIATE TIME.

2. BEGIN COMMENT: CHIEF OF STATUR MELGAR AGAIN PROMISED THE HOLDING OF FREE ELECTIONS. HE HAS DONE THIS MANY TIMES IN THE PAST; THE STATEMENT IS JUST ONE MORE REASSURANCE THAT THE REGIME IS IN FAVOR OF HAVING ELECTIONS. COL. CESAR EL VIR SIERRA, PRESIDENT OF THE NATIONAL ADVISORY COUNCIL, IS WORKING WITH MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL ON A NEW ELECTORAL LAW TO GOVERN THE CONDUCT OF THE ELECTIONS. THE LAW MAY BE READY BY SEPTEMBER.

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